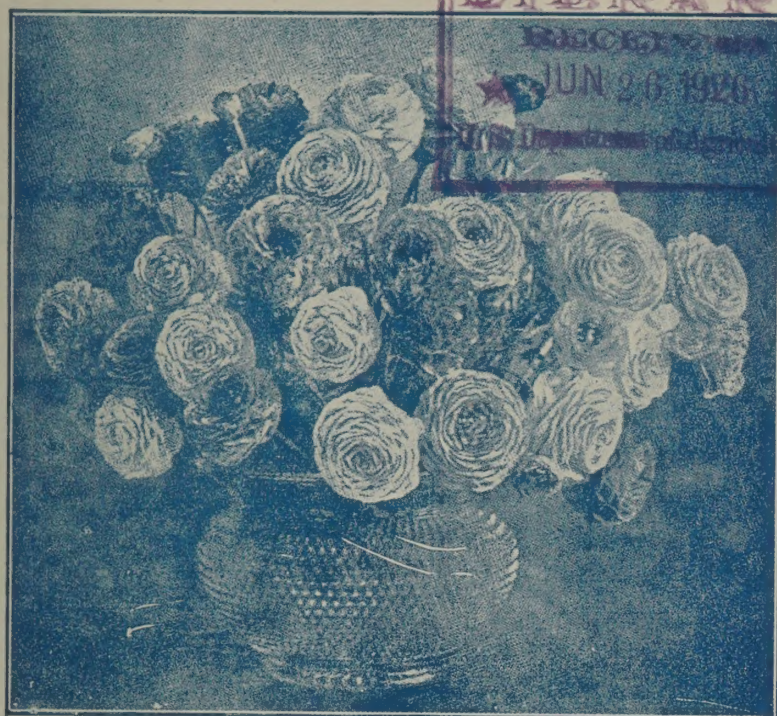


LASSCOCK'S MONTHLY REMINDER

MARCH, 1926.



BEAUTIFUL RANUNCULI.

Excellent for Decoration and Garden Display.

SPRING-FLOWERING BULBS.

HOW TO GROW THEM.

Bulbs will grow in almost any well-worked soil; they mostly prefer a sandy loam, but will grow in almost pure sand if well enriched. Strong stiff soil, however, must be thoroughly broken up, well drained, and lightened by the addition of sand or vegetable matter, such as leaf-mould, etc., before it can be made suitable for planting. After the land has been deeply dug for the reception of Bulbs, it is always better to allow it to remain for a week or two, so as to allow the soil to settle.

When planting Bulbs, the size of the Bulb and the class of soil always should be taken into consideration. The lighter the soil the deeper the planting. In heavy soil place the bulb nearer the surface. Planting Bulbs at a depth equal to about three times its own diameter is a good rule to follow. According to the varieties, planting should be done in groups, beds, or rows, and the distance determined by the size of the plants when grown. The soil must on no account be wet or sticky at the time of planting, and if at all loose should be made firm with the foot. Where it is inclined to be stiff, a little sand at the base of the Bulbs, or all around them, will greatly help the drainage and prevent rotting, as in many cases failure is due to too much moisture and close contact with manures.

Bonedust is one of the safest manures that can be used if well incorporated with the soil at time of planting. Most flowering Bulbs dislike ammonia and fresh stable manure; fowlyard manure should be avoided. Well-rotted stable or cow manure, which has been maturing for some considerable time, can be safely used, but should be well dug in at the base of the Bulbs, and not allowed to touch them when planting. For summer-flowering Bulbs, such as Gladioli, Liliums, Montbretias, a top-dressing of old stable manure or decayed vegetable matter placed over the surface of the soil to the depth of about 2 inches is invaluable, as it keeps the roots cool and retains the moisture in the soil. It is not necessary for early spring-flowering Bulbs; for these the soil should be kept well open with a hoe.

Ranunculus and Anemones. Where it is intended to make beds of either Ranunculus or Anemones by themselves, a good way is to first start the Bulbs in shallow boxes in good sandy loam, well drained. When the Bulbs have started into growth, and are about 2 in. high, the sides of the box can be taken away, and each plant cut out carefully with a knife and planted about 9 in. apart each way in the beds. In this way gaps in the beds are avoided.

GARDEN CALENDAR.

SEED SOWING—

FLOWER SEEDS.

Sow in Seed Beds or Boxes (provide shade from strong sun):—Alyssum, Antirrhinum, Aquilegia, Arctotis, Bellis Perennis (English Double Daisy), Calliopsis, Candytuft, Canterbury Bells, Carnations, Centaurea (Cornflower), Chrysanthemum, Clarkia, Dianthus, Delphinium, Eschscholtzia, Forget-me-not, Foxglove, Freesia, Gaillardia, Geum, Gerberas, Godetia, Gypsophila, Heliotrope, Helichrysum (Ever-

lastings), Hollyhock, Larkspur, Leptosyne, Linaria, Lobelia, Lupins, Marigold, Mimulus, Nasturtium, Nemesia, Nigella, Nemophila, Pansy, Pentstemon, Phacelia, Polyanthus, Poppy (Iceland and Shirley), Primrose, Pyrethrum, Rhodanthe, Scabious, Schizanthus, Sweet William, Stocks, Verbena, Violet, Viola, Wallflower.

Sow where Plants are to flower:—

Hunnemannia, Nasturtium, Mignonette, Phlox, Sweet Peas.

Sow in Seed Pans or Boxes, under Glass, for Greenhouse purposes:—

Calceolaria, Cineraria, Cyclamen, Primula (Malacoides and others).

Both Cineraria and Primula Malacoides are also suitable for planting in the garden.

VEGETABLE SEEDS:

Sow Broad Beans, Cabbage, Carrot, Cauliflower, Cress, Herbs, Leek, Lettuce, Mustard, Onion, Peas, Radish, Spinach, Turnip.

PLANT OUT—

VEGETABLES:—Beet, Cabbage, Cauliflowers, Garlic, Lettuce, Shallots, Tree Onions.

MUSHROOMS:—Procure Mushroom Spawn (Lassecocks have a fresh supply), and plant in prepared beds made up in a shed or in the open.

SEEDLINGS:—Plant out Antirrhinums, Iceland Poppies, Pansies, Violas, Stocks, Verbena, Phlox, etc., for early flowering.

BULBS:—Plant Anemones, Babianas, Gladioli, Daffodils, Freesia, Hyacinths, Ixias, Lachenalia, Muscari (Grape Hyacinth), Ornithogalum, Ranunculus, Spanish Iris, Snowflake, Scilla, Sparaxis, Tritonia, Tulips, Watsonia.

HEDGE PLANTS, SHRUBS, CLIMBERS:—Any of the evergreen plants may be put out if attention is given to the watering and the plants are shaded for a few days from the hot sun. Deciduous trees and shrubs are best planted in the winter, when they are dormant.

OTHER OPERATIONS.

ROSES:—Keep the soil stirred where the trees are not protected by a mulch. Apply stimulants. Dried fowl manure or dried blood applied sparingly to the surface soil will help to better blooms. Give copious waterings.

DAHLIAS:—Carefully stake and tie the plants to prevent destruction by wind. Thin out weak growths. Disbud for larger blooms. Give more water than formerly. Scatter dried fowl manure, or dried blood over the surface and water it in. Liquid made from cow manure and soot may be given once a week, but the dry manures scattered over the surface will dispense with this attention.

MULCHING:—Renew the much where it has become thin. Half-decayed manure will serve the purpose and add a stimulant as the water passes through it.

CARNATIONS:—Plant in prepared soil, or prepare new ground for planting out young plants at the end of the month.

SEED BEDS AND BOXES:—Prepare these for general seed sowing this month. Early sowings are necessary for early flowering. Seed sowing in winter will not give best results. Sweet sandy soil is best for sowing. Manures must not be added, but a sifting of spent manure to the surface, after sowing, will be helpful.

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